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Forest Service Names Timber Director

Jack H. Usher, Missoula, Montana, has been selected director of timber management for the USDA Forest Service in the Pacific Northwest, according to Regional Forester R.E. (Dick) Worthington.

Usher will succeed John E. Todd, who will retire January 23 after more than 36 years federal service, Worthington said.

Usher has been timber management director of the Northern Region of the Forest Service since early 1977, moving there from the Pacific Northwest Region office in Portland.

He is a 1949 forestry graduate of Oregon State University and worked for the Forest Service in Oregon for 27 years before his transfer to Missoula. His career began on the Ochoco National Forest. Usher has also worked for the Umatilla and Fremont National Forests and the Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in Portland. In 1970, he was named to lead silviculture and timber management planning in the Pacific Northwest Region, then was promoted to the Missoula post in 1977. Usher is a Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict. He and his wife have two daughters.

Todd worked on the Gifford Pinchot, Umpqua, Mt. Hood, and Willamette National Forests and in the Washington, D.C., headquarters of the Forest Service. He began work with the agency in 1947, the year of graduation from the University of Washington.

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Black H. Vande Walle, Forest Service, has been selected director of

Forest Management for the Pacific Northwest Region in the Pacific Northwest.

According to National Forester A. J. Black, Washington.

Under will succeed John E. Todd, who will retire January 31 after

more than 30 years Federal service, Washington.

Waller has been a Forest Management Director of the Pacific Northwest

of the Forest Service since 1954, working there from the Pacific

Northwest Region office in Portland.

He is a 1949 University graduate of Oregon State University and

worked for the Forest Service in Oregon for 27 years before his transfer

to Washington. His career began on the Olympic National Forest. Waller has

also worked for the Seattle and Tacoma National Forests and for

Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in Portland. In

1970, he was named to lead silviculturists and timber management

in the Pacific Northwest Region. Then he was promoted to the Regional Forester

in 1977. Waller is a Navy veteran of World War II and has a B.S. in 1949.

He and his wife have two daughters.

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Waller worked on the Olympic National Forest, Bitter Lake, and

National Forests and in the Washington, D.C., headquarters of the Forest

Service. He began with the agency in 1949, and was at the University of Washington.

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